1 2 3 4 5 BEFORE THE PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON 6 7 IN RE COMPLIANCE PDC CASE NO: #04-419 8 **WITH RCW 42.17** 9 FINAL ORDER IMPOSING FINE C. Foster Rose 10 Respondent. 11 12 INTRODUCTION 13 The Washington State Public Disclosure Commission (Commission) conducted an 14 enforcement hearing (adjudicative proceeding) under chapters 34.05 and 42.17 RCW and 15 chapter 390-37 WAC on May 26, 2004 with respect to the above-captioned matter. The 16 17 Commission convened the hearing at the Evergreen Plaza Building, Room 206, 711 Capitol 18 Way South, in Olympia, Washington. The Staff appeared through Philip E. Stutzman, 19 Director of Compliance. The Respondent appeared and addressed the Commission. 20 The Commission was provided a copy of the Report of Investigation dated May 10, 21 2004, the Notice of Administrative Charges dated May 13, 2004, and a Stipulation of Facts 22 and Violations of the parties dated May 26, 2004. The Stipulation of Facts and Violations 23 24 is attached, and incorporated by reference into this Order. 25 After due consideration of the Notice of Administrative Charges, the Stipulation of 26 Facts and Violations, and oral argument by Staff and the Respondent, the Commission

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accepted the Stipulation. The Commission therefore makes the following findings and enters the following order.

FINDINGS

Based upon the stipulated facts and violations in the Stipulation, the Commission enters the following findings.

1. The Commission finds that the Respondent committed two violations of RCW 42.17.770 by soliciting from two candidates the paid position of deputy mayor of the City of Bellingham, as a condition of his endorsement.

ORDER

The Commission orders as follows:

- 1. That the Stipulation of Facts and Violations is accepted;
- 2. That a total civil penalty of \$2,500 is assessed against the Respondent.
- 3. That \$2,000 of the penalty is suspended on the condition that the Respondent commits no further violations of RCW 42.17 for a period of four years from the date of this order as determined by the Full Commission.

RECONSIDERATION OF FINAL ORDER - COMMISSION

Any party may ask the Commission to reconsider this final order. Parties must place their requests for reconsideration in writing, include the specific grounds or reasons for the request, and deliver the request to the Public Disclosure Commission Office within **Twenty-One (21) business days** of the date that the Commission serves this order upon the party. Grounds for reconsideration shall be limited to:

a) A request for review was deemed denied in accordance with WAC 390-37-144(4);

- b) New facts or legal authorities that could not have been brought to the commission's attention with reasonable diligence. If errors of fact are alleged, the requester must identify the specific evidence in the prior proceeding on which the requester is relying. If errors of law are alleged, the requester must identify the specific citation; or
- c) Significant typographical or ministerial errors in the order.

Pursuant to RCW 34.05.470, the Public Disclosure Commission is deemed to have denied the petition for reconsideration if, within twenty (20) business days from the date the petition is filed, the Commission does not either dispose of the petition <u>or</u> serve the parties with written notice specifying the date by which it will act on the petition. Pursuant to RCW 34.05.470, the Respondent is not required to ask the Public Disclosure Commission to reconsider the final order before seeking judicial review by a superior court.

FURTHER APPEAL RIGHTS – SUPERIOR COURT

Pursuant to RCW 42.17.395(5), a **final order** issued by the Public Disclosure Commission is subject to judicial review under the Administrative Procedures Act, chapter 34.05 RCW. The procedures are provided in RCW 34.05.510 - .598. Pursuant to RCW 34.05.542(2), a petition for judicial review must be filed with the superior court in Thurston County or the petitioner's county of residence or principal place of business. The petition for judicial review must be served on the Public Disclosure Commission and any other parties within **30 days** of the date that the Public Disclosure Commission serves this final order on the parties.

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